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GENERAL AND REVENUE SECRETARIAT.

Serial Nos. 1

Part B for August-37

SUBJECT.

Granting of privileges to Sri Chennakesava Swami temple Belur upto the limit to which non-Hindus are allowed

WD 0418—GPB—22,500—20-8-36

MYSORE STATE HARIJAN SEVAK SANGHA

Provincial Board of the
All-India Harijan Sevak Sangha
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PRESIDENT
SJT. P. SUBBARAMA CHETTY, M.L.C.

TREASURER:
SJT. S L. MANNAJI RAO.

WORKING SECRETARY.
BR. RAMACHANDRA

MALLESWARAM—BANGALORE

GEN. & REV SECRETARIAT
1373
17 JUN 1935
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Date June 10 1935

AMIN-UL-MULK
Sir Mirza M. Ismail, Kt., C.I.E., O.B.E.,
Dewan of Mysore,
BANGALORE.

Dear sir,

As per your kind instructions, I am herewith submitting for your favourable consideration the following notes on:-

1. House sites to the Depressed Classes
2. Stopping the 'Basavi' System (i.e. the dedication of minor girls to a life of prostitution), and
3. Permitting the Adi-Karnatakas to enter the Muzrai-managed temples up to the limit to which Non-Hindu visitors are today allowed.

Thanking you for your kind and sympathetic interest in the Harijan cause and with kindest regards,

I remain,
Ever yours in Service,

Ramachandra

Encs: Papers.

NOTE—Contn Sheet.

A draft to the M.C is forwarded for — Please send to Protector for needful action keeping in view Ce II. (Please see Remarks therein — Flag K).

18/6/35

Representation No II was sent to Protector for Report

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The Deputy Commr Hassan has reported that Non-Hindus like the Christians Muslims etc are usually allowed to enter into the outer precincts of the temples Sri Channakeshavaswamy and that members of all Communities including the Adikarnatakas will be allowed to enter into the temple for a period of 3 days only during the annual car festival, Gangakshamma being

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performed after the Capture of Kumbh at a cost of Rs 150 before the annual poojas are conducted in the temple. The D.C is of opinion that the Hindus may be shown the privileges which the Non-Hindus enjoy at present.

The Municipal Council has stated that he agrees with the Deputy Commissioner subject with reference to paras 2 and 5 supra.

PTT 25/6

The recommendation may perhaps be approved.

25/6/35

Gen: Secy) But even this is opposed to Manual and it may not be expedient to pass a formal order to that effect

II Comb) 25/6/35

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Have the Dharmadarsi been consulted?

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Proceedings in case Harijan temple entry Bldg

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2.) A draft to the M.C. calling for the information required by the Secretary Member at para 20 supra is prepared, as the same is not available here.

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1717 dated 27.5.1935 to M C on 1/2.6.35

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From the Sungrai Comr.

No. G. Dis. 46 dated 7.8.35.
35-36

Forwards copy of a letter received from the Dy. Comr., Hassan dt. furnishing the opinion of the Dharmadarsis of the Sri Channakesavaswami temple at Belur regarding the limit up to which Harijans may be admitted in the temple.

23. The majority of the two Dharmadarsis are not in favour of permitting Harijans into the temples up to the limit to which non-Hindus are allowed - i.e. up to the Dhwaja Stambha, as it is against the established customs and they say that Shastras, Mathadhipathis

and agamiks should be consulted in the matter and it is a point for consideration whether admission of Harijans into the temple even up to the Dhwaja stambha when the majority of Dharmakartas and the caste Hindus are against the proposal will not lead to breaches of the peace and serious communal [illegible]

24 Refer:— Para 23 above.

[illegible]

25 I think this is a matter which may be left to be settled for each institution by the local committee of that institution and the Collector

II Member

26 This was discussed at the last D.C. meeting & some action was suggested to be taken. Please let me see the proceedings

NOTE—Contn. Sheet.

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2?) To L.C. Office with compliments for kindly putting up the ~~an extract of~~ the proceedings of the L.C. referred ~~cited~~ to by the Second Member in Para 26 supra.

27/8/9/35 Extract from the Proceedings is placed in the file

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29. The Extract of the L.C. proceedings read from the L.C. Office is put up. Reference is invited to the reply given by the Second Member of Council at the Meeting.

9/9 Reference: Para 26 supra. An extract of the proceedings of the Legislative Council relating to the cut motion of Mr. V. Ramachandra on which he raised the question of admitting Adi Karnatakas into temples up to the limit suggested by him is put up.

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(Home Dept.)

II Member) 10/9.

Please put up during the Bangalore A Session

II Member) 5.10.35

10/10 & 11/10.

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In the last para of my reply, certain practical difficulties have been pointed out & enquiries promised. It is necessary to have the full facts before the Govt. ~~The matter may be referred~~ to the M.C's attention may be invited to the remarks & he may be asked to send up a full report on the matter.

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A draft to the M.C is submitted.

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653 dated 21.11.31.

The M.C is asked to invite reference to the remarks made by Govt on the representation at the time of forwarding the L.C and requests him to submit a full report on the subject with reference to the said remarks.

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NOTE.—Contn. Sheet.

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26. During the discussion of the cut motion re the admission of Adikarnatakas into Muzrai - managed temples up to Dwajastambha, Government stated that they were in entire sympathy with it and would try to enforce it as much as it lay in their power.

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vide entry in Aug 132-35.

(Page 23) - Muzrai)

37) Kind reference is invited to the details of the reply given by the Member in the discussions on the subject on 28.6.1935 (1.c. session) These remarks have been referred to the M.C who is requested to submit a brief report on the subject with reference to the same. (Vide this office letter dated 21.11.1935). The report due from the M.C will therefore be awaited if applns.

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39) A draft reply to the D.C. Ophthy.

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41) Submitted with a draft covering the papers.

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Entry of Harijans in Hindu temples Assembled

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43/ The D.C's Report dated 11.3.36 which explains the facts of the case is submitted for perusal. In view of the manual and the general acquiescence of the devotees therein, the Municipal Council thinks that the Harijans may be allowed to enter the temple at Belur upto the point to which Non-Hindus are at present allowed.

44/ Reference: para 34, Supra

5/8/36 (Gen. Secy)

6/8/36

The MC's letter & the enclosures are for perusal.

45/ The matter is not so simple as the correspondence makes out and seems to require further examination.

The orthodox view is no doubt offensive to modern ideas of social justice but before these ideas can be pressed out

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Please give this file to the member's personal assistant to obtain notes on the MC's proposal. Thereafter the matter in person to the member

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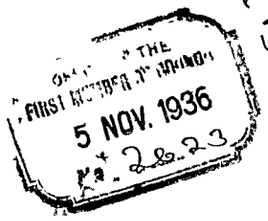

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With compliments.

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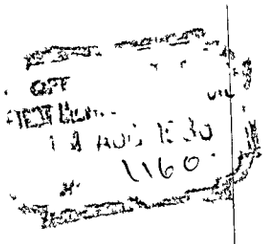

For Member

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51 A general Resolution on the question of admission of depressed classes into temples has been tabled for the (October 1936) ensuing Session of the R. A. The M.C has been requested to be in charge of the same and to oppose it when moved.

51 Resolved as directed above.

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IN THE LEGISLATIVE COUNCIL.

January Session, 1937.

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Mr. T RAMACHANDRA.

* 123. Will the Government be pleased to state:

(a) what action has been taken by the Government regarding the admission of Harijans into the Siva temple, about which representations have been made in the Legislative Council?

The file relating to the question of admitting Harijans entering into the Salem temple upto the limit to which non-Hindus are at present admitted, has been submitted to the First Member on 4.11.1936 and its return with orders is awaited. The following reply is submitted for consideration

linked

A "The matter is under consideration of Govt."

Draft 13/1/37

13.1.37

Govt. SECRETARY. 15 JAN. 1937 G.I.O.

For approval.

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See Member

Maybe submitted to Member

This has to be dealt with along with the Question also

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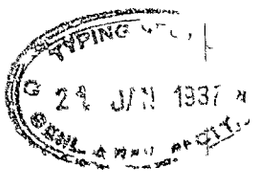

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With reference to the order of the First Member of Council at para 61 of the Notes Supra it is submitted that at the Session of the L.C in July 1937 it has been announced by Govt that no useful purpose would be served by the appointment of a committee to go into the question (vide linked files)

2. The papers will therefore be filed if agreed.

GENERAL SECRETARY. 9 JULY 1937

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I. HOUSE SITES FOR THE DEPRESSED CLASSES.

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It is a great pitiable sight to see the Adi-Karnatakas, Banajiras (Lambanis) and Voddars, who are all labourers engaged in Agriculture, Cattle and Sheep rearing, fuel supply and collection of minor forest products like tanning bark, etc. live in very badly sheltered huts, especially in the districts of Tumkur, Chitaldrug, Shimoga, Kadur and Hassan. Very few of their huts have any walls of mud at all, they are covered all round merely with reeds and aloe or date palm leaves, and the roofing is equally of poor grasses or leaves. In these huts, which are dark, narrow and small, not only do the men, women and children live, but their cattle are also tied. The surroundings are very very dirty with stinking smell of tanned hides, cattle bones and rotting flesh and pig's leavings. This is no exaggeration, but a sight which is met in almost all the villages, where these poor Harijans dwell. It is no wonder that they fall an easy prey to Malaria, Plague and other epidemics.

If this basic agricultural population in the State are to be permitted to live in such unhealthy and miserable condition, there is every likelihood of gradual decrease in their numbers, and also in their efficiency and energy to work.

It is therefore the first and foremost duty of the State to provide for the suitable housing of these people. This can be done, as has been and is being done in the Madras Presidency, by the Labour Commissioner, who is also a member of the Revenue Board, and the officer-in-charge of the Depressed Classes, with his regular staff of District Labour Officers and Taluk Supervisors by:-

(1) Systematic and regular investigation of the housing arrangements of the Depressed Classes.

(2) Grant of Government land wherever available near their existing villages or acquisition of private land - laying them into sites with a broad road in the middle, allotting the sites to every individual house-owner by a regular Patta, with due restrictions as to mortgage, sale, etc.

(3) Compelling them to build mud walls of at least 5' to 6' on the sides, and wherever possible free supply of forest wood and bamboos and palm leaves for the door, windows and roofing.

In Madras Presidency the Depressed Class Officer and his staff take taluk by taluk in each district, investigate, assign, acquire, lay out and see that proper houses are built by the Harijans. This regular work was started in 1920 and now during the past 14 years upto 1934, they have provided 33,736 sites from Government lands, and 38,126 from acquired lands, the cost of acquisition being realised from the people by easy instalments (figures are taken from the Labour Department Report for 1933-34, R.Dis.No.1957/34 dated 28th August 1934). Thus more 71,000 have been built during the course of these 14 years, and as the work is being continued year after year, more and more houses will be bettered and the Harijan families have been settled for generations to come in healthier dwellings than the dingy, dark and narrow hovels they are at present living in. Especially in the Malnad parts, with the exeeption

of Shimoga and Kadur Districts, there is plenty of open dry lands near the villages, which can be used for the purpose of laying out new Housing Colonies. But, the Government must adopt a definite and expeditious policy of acquiring where necessary, laying out, and granting of sites, since the poor people are not educated enough to approach the officers often and often and get things done. The Government should take sympathy for these people and treat them as 'literal' children and help to settle them in cleaner and better-built houses.

Note 1. A great and sacred duty lies with the Municipalities in the State to take up immediately the question of building simple tiled houses to their scavengers and sweepers and make it the first item in their programme and budget. If funds are not enough, let the Municipality assign some open space belonging to itself, lay it into sites and ask the sweepers and scavengers themselves to build clean and high mud walls and the Municipality to supply the doors, windows and bamboos and locally-made tiles for the roofing.

Ramachandra

10.6.35

Note : 2. Housing of Mill Labourers in Bangalore City

Although the big Deshle Mills in Bangalore City have got plenty of lands acquired by Govt. and given to them, they have not yet constructed the quarters for their workmen. On the other hand some of them have even permitted their workmen to put up the dingy, narrow, small and dark hovels on their own land. This is not only unsanitary to those who live in these huts (and sleeping in these 'rat-holes' as they have been called), is one of the chief causes of inertness and inefficiency on the part of the workmen, but to the whole surroundings. They are also dangerous when once an epidemic or fire starts. So, the Govt and the City Municipality can and should insist on the Management of these Mills to build suitable quarters and give them all possible help and facility by water of water, light, road and drains.

Ramachandra

NO. III.

Permitting Harijans to enter the Temple in Belur,

upto the limit to which non-Hindu visitors are today allowed.

In this I am not pleading for any aspect of Temple entry to the Harijans, but my only object is to place before the Government a concrete instance and request them to kindly grant to the Adi-Karnatakas and other Harijans what is today being granted to non-Hindus.

When I had been to Belur last time, there was with me an educated Harijan young man; and as we were passing in front of the Temple gate (Gopura) he said in feeling terms, "Sir, I really desire to go in and see the art and architecture of our ancients. But I am debarred entry though I am a Harijan into this portal, unless I tell a lie when questioned that I am not an Adi-Karnataka which I do not want to do. But if I only remove the 'Nama' caste marks from my forehead and simply say I am Christian, without any objection I can go inside, see all the architecture and come back". These were his actual words said with tears in his eyes. I am sure the Government will surely concede to the Adi-Karnatakas, who still profess Hinduism, the privilege which is today enjoyed by the non-Hindus, of going inside the temples up to the Divijastamba. This does not mean that we do not want the non-Hindus to come and see the temples. We are sincerely ~~gk~~ very glad that they are ~~xxx~~ permitted so far and our only prayer to Covernment is that like them, the unfortunate Hindu Harijans will also be permitted. This has been also unanimously recommended by the Travancore Temple-Entry Committee. So the Government can kindly issue orders that ~~in~~ all the Muzrai-managed Temples the Adi-Karnatakas and Adi-Dravidas can enter them up to the limit to which non-Hindus are today permitted.

Ramachandra

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SUBJECT.....

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Section. Mcg

File No.

Serial No.

No. 1668

To

The M.C in Mysore

Sir,

I am directed to forward herewith a representation in original received from Sri Ramachandra, Working Secretary of the Mysore State Harijan Sevak Sangha, Bangalore, (about in the matter) permitting Harijans to enter the Temple in Belur upto the limit to which Non-Hindu visitors are allowed at present and to request you to be so good as to furnish your opinion as to how far the petitioner may be permitted

Yours etc

18/6/35

For Chief Secretary

Diary No. of letter replied to.....

General and Revenue Secretariat.

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Date of issue 18/6/35

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Signed by Mr B Muddu Krishnappa

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GOVERNMENT OF HIS HIGHNESS THE MAHARAJA OF MYSORE

General and Revenue Secretariat

Dated, Bangalore, 18th June *1935*

No. 1668 Ins 2
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From

The *Chief Secretary to the Government of His Highness the Maharaja of Mysore.*

To

The Muzrai Commissioner in Mysore,
Bangalore.

Sir,

to be kindly returned

I am directed to forward herewith a representation in original received from Mr. Ramachandra, Working Secretary of the Mysore State Harijan Sevak Sangha, Bangalore, in the matter of permitting Harijans to enter the Temple in Belur up to the limit to which Non-Hindu Visitors are allowed at present and to request you to be so good as to furnish your opinion as to how for this may be permitted.

I have the honour to be,
Sir,
Your most obedient servant,

For Chief Secretary to Government.

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CONFIDENTIAL.

No. H.6.128 Eve1 2 34-35 OFFICE OF THE MUZRAI COMMISSIONER IN MYSORE,

Bangalore,... ...23rd..June.....*1935.*

24/6.

FROM

N. MADHAVA RAU, ESQ., B.A., B.L.,
Muzrai Commissioner in Mysore,
Bangalore.

GENL. & REV. SECRETARIAT 1401 25 JUN. 1935 MUZRAI BR. CH.

To

H. V. Ramaswami, Esq., M.A., B.L.,

Secretary to the Government of His Highness
the Maharaja of Mysore,
.....General..... *Department*

GENERAL BR. 24 JUNE 1935 Dmy

Sir,

With reference to your letter No.1668/Muz. dated 18-6-1935 requesting my opinion in the matter of permitting Harijans to enter the temple at Melur up to the limit to which non-Hindu visitors are allowed at present, I have the honor to forward herewith a copy of letter No.C.Muz.3005-34 dated 21-6-1935 from the Deputy Commissioner, Hassan District, and to state that I agree with the Deputy Commissioner. The enclosure is returned.

I have the honor to be,
Sir,
Your most obedient servant,

Muzrai Commissioner.

Ietter No.C.Muz.3005-34 dated 21-6-35 from the Deputy Commissioner, Hassan District, to the Muzrai Commissioner in Mysore.

In the matter of permitting the Harijans to enter the temple at Belur.

With reference to your Memo No.H.C.128/34-35 dated the 19th June 1935, calling for my opinion on the representation of Mr. T.Ramachandra on the above subject, I have the honor to state as follows:-

The Amildar of the Belur Taluk has reported that non-Hindus like the Christians, Muslims, &c., are usually allowed to enter into the outer precincts of the temple of Sri Chennakeshavaswamy and that members of all committees including the Adikarnatakas will be allowed to enter into the temple for a period of three days only, during the annual car-festiva It is also ascertained that Samprokshane (ಸಂಪ್ರೋಕ್ಷಣೆ) will be performed after the lapse of three days as stated above, at a cost of about R. 150/- before the mamool pujas are conducted in the temple.

I am of opinion that the Harijans may be shown the privileges which the non-Hindus enjoy at present.

"C O P Y"

For Muzrai Commissioner.

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To

The H. C in Mysore

Diary No. of letter replied to

General and Revenue Secretariat.

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Date of issue 27/6/35

Mr B. Meddelkrishnappa

Signed by

Sir.

With reference to Correspondence ending with your letter No H. C. 128 dated 24.6.1935 regarding permitting Harijans to enter the temple at Belur up to the limit to which Non-Hindu Visitors are allowed at present I am directed to request you to let Government know as soon as possible if the Shankaracharya of the temple have been consulted in the matter, and if not taken the necessary steps to do so. Please do

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for Secretary

List of enclosures

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GOVERNMENT OF HIS HIGHNESS THE MAHARAJA OF MYSORE

General and Revenue Secretariat

No. 1717 Home
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Dated, Bangalore, 27th June 193

From

The *General Secretary to the Government of His Highness the Maharaja of Mysore.*

To

The Murrai Commissioner in Mysore,
Bangalore.

Sir,

With reference to correspondence ending with your letter No.H.C.178 dated 24th June 1932 regarding permitting Harijans to enter the temple at Belur up to the limit to which Non-Hindu visitors are allowed at present, I am directed request you to be so good as to state if the Dharmadarsis of the temple have been consulted in the matter.

I have the honour to be,
Sir,
Your most obedient servant,

For General Secretary to Government.

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Dis 46/35-36 OFFICE OF THE MUZRAI COMMISSIONER IN MYSORE,

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GENL SECRETARIAT 177 12 AUG 1935

FROM

N. MADHAVA RAU, ESQ., B.A., B.L.,
Muzrai Commissioner in Mysore,
Bangalore.

To

H. V. Ramaswami, Esq., M.A., B.L.,

GENERAL SECRETARIAT 8 AUG. 1935 Bgre

Secretary to the Government of His Highness
the Maharaja of Mysore,

General *Department*

9/8/35

SIR,

With reference to your letter No.1717/Muz. dated 27-6-1935 regarding permitting Harijans to enter the temple at Belur up to the limit to which non-Hindu visitors are allowed at present I have the honor to forward herewith a copy of letter No.L.Dis. C.19/35 dated 1-8-1935 from the Deputy Commissioner, Hassan District, with the records received therewith, furnishing the opinion of the Dharmadarsis.

I have the honor to be,
Sir,
Your most obedient servant,

N Madhava Rau

Muzrai Commissioner.

VRB

Letter No.L.Dis.C.19-35 dated 1-8-35 from the Deputy Commissioner, Hassan District, to the Muzrai Commissioner in Mysore.

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Subject:- Re: permitting Harijans to enter the temple at Belur up to the limit to which non-Hindu visitors are allowed at present.

With reference to your Memo No.H.C.128/34-35 dated 29th June 1935 and in continuation of my letter No.L.DIS.C.3005-34 dated 21st June 1935 on the above subject, I have the honor to forward herewith the connected files ending with the Saklespur Sub Division Officer's Memo No.N.Dis.C2-C.13-35 dated 22nd July 1935 and to state as follows:-

2. There are 9 Dharmadarsis who have been appointed to supervise the affairs of the Sri Chennakeshavaswami temple at Belur, and a Memo was circulated among 8 members. Mr. R.Surappa, Dharmadarsi and Convenor of the Committee and the Dharmadarsis, Messrs. Nagappachar and B. S. Krishnasetti, state that Harijans being Hindus, they should be allowed entry at least to the limit to which non-Hindus are allowed, and the other five Dharmadarsis viz., Messrs. Krishniengar, Gurappa Gowda, M.S. Veerasetti, Bilianna Setti and Chennarayasetti, state that this matter cannot be decided by the personal opinions of the Dharmadarsis, and that, as allowing Harijans on dates days other than those referred to in my previous letter up to the limit to which non-Hindus are allowed, appears to be

against the Shastras, they cannot be allowed inside the temple precincts unl
the Shastras and Mathadhipathis permit the same.

"COPY"

For Muzrai Commissioner.

GOVERNMENT OF HIS HIGHNESS THE MAHARAJA OF MYSORE

General and Revenue Secretariat

Dated, Bangalore, 21st November 1935

No. 653/Nuzz

From

The *General Secretary to the Government of His Highness the Maharaja of Mysore.*

To

The Nuzrai Commissioner in Mysore,
Bangalore.

Sir,

With reference to correspondence ending with your letter No.D1.Dis.46/35-36 dated 8th August 1935 regarding permitting Harijans to enter the temple at Belur up to the limit to which Non-Hindu visitors are allowed at present, I am directed to invite reference to the remarks made by Government on the representation at the last (June 1935) session of the Legislative Council pointing out certain practical difficulties in giving effect to the suggestion and promising further enquiries in the matter, and to request you to be so good as to submit a full report on the subject with reference to the said remarks.

I have the honour to be,
Sir,
Your most obedient servant,

for General Secretary to Govt

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General and Revenue Secretariat

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Date of issue 21-11-1935

Signed by Mr B. Venkatakrishnaya

(to be kindly returned)

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File No.

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No 6.5-3

To The M.C in Mysore

Sir,

With reference to correspondence ending with your letter No D1. dis 4. 35-36 dated 8. 8. 1935 regarding permitting Harijans to enter the temple at Belur up to the limit to which non Hindu visitors are allowed at present, I am directed to invite reference to the remarks made by Govt on the representation at the last (June 1935) Session of the L.C pointing out certain practical difficulties in giving effect to the suggestion and promising enquiries further enquiries in the matter and to request you to be so good

to submit a full report
on the subject with reference to
the said remarks.

Thanking you

Yours faithfully

Sd/-

for General Secretary.

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OFFICE OF THE MUZRAI COMMISSIONER IN MYSORE,

Bangalore,. 5th December 1935

K. V. Anantaraman, Esq., B.A.,
~~N. MADHAVA RAU, Esq., B.A., B.L.,~~
Muzrai Commissioner in Mysore,
Bangalore.

To

V. Venkatesa Iyengar, Esq., B.A.,
Secretary to the Government of His Highness
the Maharaja of Mysore,
.....General..... .. . *Department*

SIR.

Entry of Harijans to the temple at Belur up to the limit up to which non-Hindus are allowed.

With reference to your letter No.653/Muz. dated 21-5-1935 re: the above, I have the honor to request that a copy of remarks made by Government in the matter may kindly be sent as the printed Legislative Council Proceedings have not been received yet.

I have the honor to be,
Sir,
Your most obedient servant,

K V Anantaraman
Muzrai Commissioner.
5.12.35

GOVERNMENT OF HIS HIGHNESS THE MAHARAJA OF MYSORE

General and Revenue Secretariat

Dated, Bangalore, 14th Decr. 1935

No. 796/Rev
Enclose

From

The *General Secretary to the Government of His Highness the Maharaja of Mysore.*

To

The Muzrai Commissioner in Mysore,
Bangalore.

Sir,

As desired in your letter No.Mc.44/35-36 dated 7th December 1935 I am directed to forward herewith a copy of the remarks made by ~~You~~ Government regarding entry of Harijans to the temple at Belur at the June (1935) session of the Legislative Council.

I have the honor to be,
Sir,
Your most obedient servant,

for General Secretary to Government

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OFFICE OF THE MUZRAI COMMISSIONER IN MYSORE,

Bangalore, 1st April 1936.

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GENL. & REL. 1082 4-APR.1936 MUZRAI

FROM

K. V. ANANTARAMAN, Esq., B.A.,
~~N. MADHAVA RAU, Esq., B.A., B.L.,~~
Muzrai Commissioner in Mysore,
Bangalore.

To

Venkatesa Iyengar, Esq., B.A.,

GENERAL SECRETARIAT 2-APR.1936

Secretary to the Government of His Highness
the Maharaja of Mysore,
General *Department*

SIR,

Permitting Harijans to enter the temple at Belur up to the limit to which non-Hindu visitors are allowed.

With reference to your letter No.653/Muz. dated 21st November 1935 re: the above, I have the honor to request that the file of vernacular papers sent with this office letter No. Dl Dis.46/35-36 dated 8th August 1935 may kindly be returned for reference.

I have the honor to be,
Sir,
Your most obedient servant,

M N Anantharaman

for Muzrai Commissioner.

SUBJECT .....

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Diary No. of letter replied to .....

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Date of issue ... 9-4-36 .....

Signed by Hem B. Muddaliarchar

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File No.

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No. 1426
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To

The M.C in allpre.

Sir,

Reference in your letter No Ste 46/35-36 dated 2.4.36 I am directed to return herewith the following Vernacular papers received with your letter No 91. Des 46/35-36 dated 6.4.36 re ~~Regarding~~ the petition of Pichai Kuppa Naicker to enter the temple at Belur up to the limit to which non-Hindus visitors are allowed.

I am also to request that the report called for in the matter may kindly be sent up-early.

I have etc

7/4/36

for Genl Secy

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GOVERNMENT OF HIS HIGHNESS THE MAHARAJA OF MYSORE

General and Revenue Secretariat

Dated, Bangalore, 8th April 1936.

No. 1426/Misc 3

From

The *General Secretary to the Government of His Highness the Maharaja of Mysore*

To

The Muzrai Commissioner in Mysore,
Bangalore.

Sir,

As desired in your letter No.Hc.44/35-36 dated 2nd April 1936, I am directed to return herewith the file of vernacular papers received with your letter No. 1 Mis.46/35-36 dated 8th August 1935 regarding permitting harijans to enter the temple at Belur up to the limit to which non-Hindu visitors are allowed. I am also to request that the report called for already in the matter may kindly be sent up early.

I have the honor to be,
Sir,
Your most obedient servant,

for General Secretary to Government.

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SUBJECT .....

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Diary No. of letter replied to .....

No 796

To The M.C in ellphe

Sir

General and Revenue Secretariat

As desired in your letter

the *193*

No Ltr 44/35-36 dated 7.12.35

I am directed to forward herewith

Date of issue 14-12-1935

a copy the Remarks made

Signed by M V R Seeddukrishnayya

by you regarding entry of

Harijans to the temple at Bolan

at the June (1935) Session

of the D.C. ~~for reference. and~~

~~Kindly return for information.~~

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OFFICE OF THE MUZRAI COMMISSIONER IN MYSORE,

Bangalore, 30th. July *193* 6.

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FROM

K. V. ANANTARAMAN, ESQ., B.A.,
Muzrai Commissioner in Mysore.

To

M. Venkatesa Iyengar, Esq., M.A.,
Secretary to the Government of His Highness the Maharaja of Mysore,
General *Department.*

SIR,

Permitting the Harijans to enter the temple of Sri Chennakesavaswami at Belur up to the limit to which non-Hindus are allowed.

With reference to correspondence ending with your letter No. 1426 Muz. dated 8/9th April 1936 re. the above, I have the honor to forward herewith copies of the marginally noted letters received from the Deputy Commissioner, Hassan District, stating that Harijans may be allowed to go into the Chennakesavaswami temple at Belur up to the point to which non-Hindus are permitted at present.

Letter No.C.1799-35 dated 11-3-1936.
" No.C.3506-35 " 1-7-1936.

2. The question was considered by the Committee of Dharmadarsis at their meeting held on 19th February and 12th June 1936. Copies of the proceedings are contained in the accompanying file of vernacular records. It will be seen that a majority of 3 members are in favour of the proposal recommended by the Deputy Commissioner. A minority of 2 is opposed to any innovation. It is further stated that the Samprokshane ceremonies that are performed after the annual rathotsava are not on account of the entry of Harijans up to the Navaranga for three days and that such purificatory ceremonies as are done on account of the temporary suspension of worship. No purificatory ceremonies are performed now consequent on the entry of non-Hindus into the temple. The two dissenting Dharmadarsis viz., Messrs. Kesaviengar and Amritaraj Urs suggest that the opinion of the Mathathipathis and the representatives of all the four castes may be taken and a practice not in violation of the previous procedure may be prescribed. This is an impracticable suggestion and does not deserve serious consideration.

3. The Agamiks of this office, who were consulted in the matter, have submitted a report dated 27th March 1935 which is enclosed in original. They state that it is nowhere said that non-Hindus may enter temples which have been consecrated according to Agama Sastras and that it is only laid down that Maha Samprokshane should be performed if A n t y a j a s enter temples. In spite of this, non-Hindus have been allowed to enter the outer enclosure of the temple and purificatory ceremonies are not performed.

4. In view of the mamool which has thus developed and the general acquiescence of the devotees therein, I think that Harijans may be allowed to enter the temple up to the point to which non-Hindus are at present allowed.

I have the honor to be,

Sir,

Your most obedient servant,

K V Ananthanarayana Aiyar

Muzrai Commissioner.

MR

Letter No.C.1799/35 dated 11-3-36 from the Deputy Commissioner, Hassan District, to the Muzrai Commissioner in Mysore.

Subject:- Permitting the Harijans to enter the temple at Belur up to the limit to which non-Hindus are allowed.

With reference to your Memo No.H.C.44/35-6 dated 8-1-1936, I have the honor to forward herewith the records ending with the Saklespur Sub Division Officer's No.C2-C.1088-35 dated 1-3-36 and to state as follows:-

2. The question has been placed before the Committee Meeting of the Dharmadarsis held on 19-2-1936 and a copy of the resolution passed is enclosed to the file. It will be seen therefrom, that out of the nine members, five have attended the meeting and three of them have voted in favour of the change and two against. A note put up by the Convenor agreeing for the change is also enclosed to the file.

3. The Amildar of Belur Taluk reports that the practice in this temple is to allow Harijans from time immemorial, for three days during jatra time up to the Navaranga, that at present, non-Hindus are allowed inside the courtyard, that they can have a view of the outside architecture, that they are also permitted to go into the places, where no worship is conducted and that they may favour the entry at least up to the limit to which non-Hindus are allowed, etc.

4. The Sub Division Officer states that any contemplated change in the social or religious practices of a people particularly conservative like Hindus, is bound to arouse opposition in the beginning, but the opposition fades away after the change becomes an accomplished fact. He also adds that the present practices in the Belur temple give strong support to the innovation, as the Harijans are admitted right up to the Navaranga, for three days, in the year, and that non-Hindus are allowed inside the Kappechennigarayaswar temple, where there is no worship and permitted to walk around the main temple but not to go inside it, and that the devotees, even if the term is confined to a small section of the people who regularly go to the temple, they cannot put forward valid objections to allow Harijans up to the limit to which non-Hindus are allowed, in view of the practices referred to above. I also agree with the views of the Sub Division Officer.

5. In this connection, I may also invite your kind reference to my letter No.C.3005-34 dated 21-6-1935 wherein, I have given my views stating that the Harijans may be shown the same privileges which the non-Hindues enjoy at present.

"COPY"

M.N. Anandarao

For Muzrai Commissioner.

Letter No.C.3506-35 dated 1-7-36 from the Deputy Commissioner, Hassan District, to the Muzrai Commissioner in Mysore.

Subject:- Further information re. permitting the Harijans to enter the temple at Belur up to the limit to which non-Hindus are allowed.

With reference to your letter No.H.C.44/35-36 dated 1/2-4-1936 and in continuation of my letter No.C.2581-35 dated 22-6-36 on the above subject, I have the honor to forward herewith the records ending with the Saklespur Sub Division Officer's Memo No.C2-C.1088-35 dated 24-6-36, and to state that it will be seen from the Amildar's report that the expenses connected with the sanctification ceremony (ಶುದ್ಧಿ ಕಲಶ) is being met out of the allotment made for Rathotsavam expenses and no special allotment is made for this purpose.

"C O P Y"

M N Anandaiah

For Muzrai Commissioner.

THE MYSORE LEGISLATIVE COUNCIL,

January Session, 1937.

Mr. T. RAMACHANDRA.

Q. 123. Will the Government be pleased to state:

(a) what action has been taken by the Government ~~xx~~ regarding the admission of Harijans into the Belur temple, about which representations have been made in the Legislative Council?

THE MYSORE LEGISLATIVE Council, January Session 1937.

Question No. 123 Mr. T. Ramachandra.

Will the Government be pleased to state

(a) What action has been taken by the Government regarding the admission of Harijans into the Belur Temple, about which representations have been made in the Legislative Council.

The question is under the consideration of Government.

Mir Sajan Imam,
for General Secretary.

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ಹಾಸನದಲ್ಲಿ ಪ್ರಾಚೀನ ಪುರಾತತ್ವ ಇಲಾಖೆಯ ಸಹಯೋಗದಲ್ಲಿ ಕರ್ನಾಟಕ ಇತಿಹಾಸ ಅಕಾಡೆಮಿಯು ಆಯೋಜಿಸಿದ್ದ ಶಾಸನ ಅಧ್ಯಯನ ಶಿಬಿರದಲ್ಲಿ ಭಾಗವಹಿಸಿದ್ದ ಅನುಭವವನ್ನು ಹಂಚಿಕೊಳ್ಳಲು ಈ ಬರಹ. ಶಿಬಿರದ ಆಯೋಜಕರು ಮತ್ತು ಅಧ್ಯಾಪಕರು ಶಾಸನಗಳ ಅಧ್ಯಯನದ ಮಹತ್ವವನ್ನು ಹೇಳಿದರು. ಶಾಸನಗಳು ಕೇವಲ ಕಲ್ಲಿನ ಮೇಲೆ ಕೆತ್ತಿದ ಅಕ್ಷರಗಳಲ್ಲ, ಅವು ಆಯಾ ಕಾಲದ ಜನಜೀವನ, ಆಡಳಿತ, ಧರ್ಮ, ಸಂಸ್ಕೃತಿ, ಕಲೆ, ಸಾಹಿತ್ಯ, ಆರ್ಥಿಕ ಸ್ಥಿತಿಗತಿಗಳ ಜೀವಂತ ದಾಖಲೆಗಳು. ಅವುಗಳನ್ನು ಓದಿ ಅರ್ಥೈಸಿಕೊಳ್ಳುವುದು ಇತಿಹಾಸದ ಪುನರ್‌ನಿರ್ಮಾಣಕ್ಕೆ ಅತ್ಯಗತ್ಯ.

ಶಿಬಿರದಲ್ಲಿ ಹಳಗನ್ನಡ ಲಿಪಿಯ ಪರಿಚಯ, ಅಕ್ಷರಗಳ ಗುರುತಿಸುವಿಕೆ, ಸಂಯುಕ್ತಾಕ್ಷರಗಳ ಬರಹ ಶೈಲಿ, ಮಾತ್ರೆಗಳ ಬಳಕೆ, ಮತ್ತು ಕಾಲಾನುಕ್ರಮದಲ್ಲಿ ಲಿಪಿಯಲ್ಲಿ ಆದ ಬದಲಾವಣೆಗಳ ಕುರಿತು ಸಮಗ್ರ ಮಾಹಿತಿ ನೀಡಲಾಯಿತು. ಪ್ರತಿದಿನ ಬೆಳಿಗ್ಗೆ ಒಂದು ಅಥವಾ ಎರಡು ಶಾಸನಗಳನ್ನು ಆಯ್ಕೆ ಮಾಡಿಕೊಂಡು, ಅವುಗಳ ಛಾಯಾಚಿತ್ರಗಳನ್ನು ಹಿಡಿದು ಅಕ್ಷರಗಳನ್ನು ಗುರುತಿಸುವ ಪ್ರಯತ್ನ ಮಾಡಲಾಯಿತು. ಮೊದಲ ದಿನ ಕೆಲವೇ ಅಕ್ಷರಗಳನ್ನು ಗುರುತಿಸಲು ಸಾಧ್ಯವಾಗಿತ್ತು. ಆದರೆ ಮೂರನೇ ದಿನದ ಹೊತ್ತಿಗೆ ಸಾಲುಗಳನ್ನು ಓದಲು ಪ್ರಯತ್ನಿಸಿದಾಗ ಆದ ಸಂತೋಷ ಅಷ್ಟಿಷ್ಟಲ್ಲ. ಅಭ್ಯಾಸದಿಂದ ಪರಿಪೂರ್ಣತೆ ಸಾಧ್ಯ ಎಂಬ ಮಾತು ಇಲ್ಲಿ ಅಕ್ಷರಶಃ ಅನುಭವಕ್ಕೆ ಬಂತು.

ಶಿಬಿರದ ಭಾಗವಾಗಿ ಹಾಸನ ಜಿಲ್ಲೆಯ ಹಲವು ಪ್ರಮುಖ ಶಾಸನಗಳಿಗೆ ಭೇಟಿ ನೀಡಲಾಯಿತು. ಹಾಸನಾಂಬ ದೇವಾಲಯದ ಆವರಣದಲ್ಲಿರುವ ಶಾಸನಗಳು, ಹಳೇಬೀಡಿನ ಹೊಯ್ಸಳ ದೇವಾಲಯಗಳ ಸುತ್ತಮುತ್ತಲಿನ ಶಾಸನಗಳು, ಮತ್ತು ಬೇಲೂರಿನ ಕೆಲವು ಶಾಸನಗಳನ್ನು ಸ್ಥಳದಲ್ಲೇ ಅಧ್ಯಯನ ಮಾಡಲಾಯಿತು. ಕಲ್ಲಿನ ಮೇಲೆ ಬರೆದ ಅಕ್ಷರಗಳು ಕಾಲಕ್ರಮೇಣ ಸವೆದು ಹೋಗಿರುವುದರಿಂದ ಅವುಗಳನ್ನು ಗುರುತಿಸುವುದು ಇನ್ನಷ್ಟು ಕಷ್ಟಕರವಾಗಿತ್ತು. ಕೆಲವು ಕಡೆ ಶಾಸನದ ಮೇಲೆ ಬಣ್ಣ ಬಳಿದಿದ್ದರಿಂದ ಅಕ್ಷರಗಳು ಇನ್ನಷ್ಟು ಅಸ್ಪಷ್ಟವಾಗಿದ್ದವು. ಇಂತಹ ಸಂದರ್ಭಗಳಲ್ಲಿ ತಾಳ್ಮೆ ಮತ್ತು ಪರಿಶ್ರಮ ಅತ್ಯಗತ್ಯ ಎಂಬುದನ್ನು ಅರಿತೆವು.

ಶಿಬಿರದ ಕೊನೆಯ ದಿನ ಪ್ರತಿಯೊಬ್ಬರೂ ತಾವು ಅಧ್ಯಯನ ಮಾಡಿದ ಶಾಸನದ ಸಾರಾಂಶವನ್ನು ಮಂಡಿಸಿದರು. ಇದು ಆತ್ಮವಿಶ್ವಾಸ ಹೆಚ್ಚಿಸಿದ್ದಲ್ಲದೆ, ಇತರರ ಅಧ್ಯಯನದಿಂದಲೂ ಹೊಸ ವಿಷಯಗಳನ್ನು ತಿಳಿಯಲು ಸಹಾಯಕವಾಯಿತು. ಶಿಬಿರದ ಕೊನೆಯಲ್ಲಿ ಪ್ರಮಾಣಪತ್ರ ನೀಡಲಾಯಿತು.

ಒಟ್ಟಾರೆಯಾಗಿ ಈ ಶಿಬಿರ ನನ್ನಲ್ಲಿ ಶಾಸನಗಳ ಬಗ್ಗೆ ಆಸಕ್ತಿಯನ್ನು ಹೆಚ್ಚಿಸಿದೆ. ಮುಂದೆ ಸ್ವಂತವಾಗಿ ಶಾಸನಗಳನ್ನು ಓದಲು ಪ್ರಯತ್ನಿಸಬೇಕೆಂಬ ಹಂಬಲವನ್ನು ಮೂಡಿಸಿದೆ. ಇಂತಹ ಶಿಬಿರಗಳು ಹೆಚ್ಚಾಗಿ ನಡೆಯಬೇಕು ಮತ್ತು ಹೆಚ್ಚಿನ ಜನರು ಭಾಗವಹಿಸಬೇಕು ಎಂಬುದು ನನ್ನ ಆಶಯ.

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Letter No. H.C. 44/35-C. dated 1/2
the Municipal Commissioner in reply, the Deputy
Commissioner Hassan writes —

With reference to your letter No. C 1997/35 dated 11/3/36
regarding the Harijans to enter the temple at
Belur up to the limit to which non-Hindus are
allowed, I have the honour to state that in the
note submitted by Mr. R. Surappa, contractor, it is
stated that from time immorial, Harijans are
being allowed inside the main temple during the
Jatra & no Sanctification ceremony (ಶುದ್ಧಿ ಕಲಶ)
is performed on this account. But in your letter
No. C. 3005/34 dated 21-6-35, it is said that Samprokshana
will be performed after the lapse of three days
at a cost of about Rs. 150/- before the mamool
pujas are conducted in the temple. I request
you to kindly examine the point once again, and
furnish a definite reply in the matter. The
enclosures are returned.

C. 2581-35

Hassan. 7th April 1936

Copy together with the connected records is
forwarded to the Sub Division Office, Sakleshpur for infor-
mation and early report.

Immediate

M. C. 115-35

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Sd/ Abdul Razak
for Deputy Commissioner
Hassan Dist

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ಕಡತ ಸಂಖ್ಯೆ: —

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6. S: Rs D O Letter.
7. Sub division Officer's letter to Dyscomr. & 1/3/36
8. Mysore's order no HC 44/35-& 2/4/36
9. copies Dyscomr's Letter to the Mysore. & 19/5/36
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11 Dharmadarsi meeting proceedings copy & 12/6/36
12 Dharmadarsi Mr. Keshava Iyengar's opinion
13. Accildars report & 16/6/36

D Shamaky
16/6/36

Mysore Legislative Council.

(June 1935.)

II MEMBERS REMARKS.

28-6-1935.

RAJAMANTHRAPRAVINAS.P.Rajagopalachari (Second Member of Council)-- I am very glad that on this important matter, there has been so much unanimity of opinion on the part of Members of this House who have spoken. Government are in entire sympathy with the spirit underlying this cut motion. And they will have no objection to implement it if they find on further enquiry that so far as the devotees of important institutions are concerned, there is no large volume of opposition to this proposal. That qualification is needed because Government do not want to force this on the devotees of the temples. The expression used in Canarese is " ಬಲವಂತ ಪಡಿಸಿ " . Government do not want to do that kind fa thing; there is always a sense of enforcing or "Never-do-carism" or"Zabarzast" in that word. Government entirely sympathise with the request and they will see that necessary steps are taken to implement that sympathy.

One point mentioned by Mr.S.C.Malliah was that Government should immediately act in the spirit he is free to do in his speeches. have got a little more trouble in that. It is easy for him to say at once " Let us drag this man out and put that man in". Itis easy to say that all with the best of intentions. But with regard to enforcement of these things, there are certain practical difficulties and that accounts for the cautious way in which Government are looking at this matter. As the Muzrai Commissioner has explained, the practice is not uniform in all the temples It is just now the practice in the Belur temple. That was the temple which Mr.T.Ramachandra had in view. But I know hundreds of temples where Non-Hindus are not allowed to go beyond the Mahadhwara I do not think that in the Setingapatam Temple, for example, that is the practice. So far as I know, I do not think that any Non-Hindu is allowed to go beyond the Mahadhwara, and in the case of such a temple, practically the application of this principle means nothing. So, what the Muzrai Commissioner meant simply was that we can not accept the principle inall its implications without understanding what those implications are. We naturally have make enquiries as to what the ppractice is. And as for as the principre is concerned, Government are in entire sympathy with them and will try to enforce it as much as it lies in their power.

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Sd/ M.Ramiah,
For Muzrai Commissioner.

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M. N. Ramachar

For Deputy Commissioner,
Hassan District.

HSN.

Letter No. 653/Muz dated 21-11-35 from the General Secretary to Government of Mysore to the Muzrai Commissioner in Mysore.

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With reference to corresspondence ending with your letter No. DlDis 46/35-36 dated 8th August 1935 regarding permitting Harijans to enter the temple at Belur up to the limit to which Nonmlindu visitors are allowed at present, Iam directed to invite reference tothe remarks made by Government on the representation at the last (June)1935) Session of the Legislative Council pointing out certain practical difficulties in giving effect to the suggestion and promising furthdr enquiries in the matter and to request you to be so good as to submit a full report on the subject with reference to the said remarks.

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Memo.

Copy is forwarded with comliments to the Deputy Commssioner Hassan District with reference to his letter No. L.Dis.C.19-35 dated 1-8-35. He is requested to submit a full report in the matter early as required by Goverment. A copy of the II Member's remar s is herewith forwarded for reference.

Sd/ M.Ramiah.

For Muzrai Commissioner.

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Dated, Hassan the 16th January 1936.

C 1799-35 Encl.

Memo.

Copy together with a copy of its enclosure is forwarded to the Sub Division Officer, Saklespur for information and submission of a full report on the subject with reference to the remarks made by the II Member of Council, Immediately.

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M. N Ramaiah
For Deputy Commissioner
Hassan District.
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C. 1088-35
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Memo

Forwarded to the Amildaran, Belur for submission of a full report subject as called for by the Deputy Comm.

23/35 S.A.

I beg to submit herewith a copy of the resolution passed by the meeting
given thereon in the matter of allowing Harijans upto the limit to which
non Hindus are allowed. On the above subject a detailed report has also
been submitted with my letter No [illegible] on a previous occasion.

As stated there in, the practice in this temple is to allow Harijans
from time immemorial, for three days during Jatra time they are
allowed into the inner parikili of the temple upto Dwara Anjaneya.

At present Non Hindus are allowed inside the outer yard & they can
have a view of the outside architecture of the main temple. They
have also free access into the place where no worship is conducted
If devotees are dumb with to a Sadhu of the people who have
free access inside the temple & who attend daily, more is found
to be opposed in the beginning. Even if permission is conferred to people
of this place (Hindus who attend the temple ceremonies), more will be
opposed in the beginning. It is doubtful if the majority can vote
for allowing them inside. Out of devotees mean a large class
of people who perform Seva (including a number of Harijans who are
doing Jatras), they may favour merely upto the limit
upto which non Hindus are allowed. A note prepared by me
of the temple in this respect is enclosed for information & personal
discussion with the members held [illegible], Five of the
Members were present on the day of the meeting (Four
of the names in favour of giving Harijans three days are
for and the same

SP Guntur City
Dated 2
28.2.36

(copy)

Krishnaraja Wadiyar

20/2/1936 peshkar

Note

With reference to the remarks made by the govt on the representation at the Session of the Legislative Council in June 35 regarding permitting Harijans to enter The Belur Temple up to the limit to which non-Hindus are allowed at present, I beg to bring to the kind notice of the Govt a few salient points on this vitally important matter,

1) From time immorial Harijans are being allowed inside the main temple during Jatra and no sanctification ceremony (ಸಂಪ್ರೋಕ್ಷಣೆ) is performed on this account

2) It is not just now the practice in the Belur Temple to allow non-Hindu visitors beyond Mahadwara, It is in existence sufficiently for a long time, more than half a century

3) If the word devotee has a definition I am quite sure the Harijans come within the purview of the meaning of the word devotee. Both quantitative and qualitative conditions can be set to have been fulfilled by this community. Quantitatively Harijans form not less than 1/3rd of the whole population of the Taluk though they bear a less proportion to the population of the whole State. Qualitatively they are all ardent devotees.

Unlike nontamdus the Harijans observe with faith and reverence all Hindu feasts and feastivities, if one wants to know the intensity of devotion on their hart one should visit Belur temple during Jatra which is attended by thousands of these Harijans

4) When (~~wooden~~) Sandles are brought herio-dically to this temple from a long distance, some where in Chital drug will and offered to the Deity by Harijans there is no objection in allowing them inside the main temple irrespective of Jatra time

5) It is never ~~my~~ our intension to suggest to govt to use force. They never used Zabar Zast when they allowed nearly 15 years back, by G.O. Harijan children to all the common schools and recently when all obstructions that were in existance to make use of Common wells Tanks etc. were removed for these people. On the contrary they have educated the minds of the thinking public to sympathise with and help this submerged 6th by such measures. But for this deep sympathy that is in full evidence on the hart of our veneign Govt no Legislator would have made up his mind to bring such proposals before the house. No doubt there are certain practicle difficulties. The practice

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6) No Hindu who is even to-day cherishing great love and reverence to Sri Krishna, Vyasa, and Walmiki who are evidently non Brahmins can think of ~~person~~ presenting any opposition to the Harijans, his fellow brethren, to come and enjoy the glory of our ancient art in Belur Temple.

7) I hope, I will not be taken as prescribing any mandate to Govt when I say that it is the duty of the Govt to create equal opportunities to one and all for uplift and advancement with out any restrictions of Caste, Creed etc.

18.2.36

R. Surapura
Convener
Belur Temple

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Yr/ 18.2.36

R. Buraphra
Convener
Belur Temple

Immediate.

No. C.1799-35.

Office of the Deputy Commissione
Hassan District.
Dated, Hassan the 29th Febru

Dear Sir,

This is to draw your attention to this office memo 1799~~s~~35 dated 16/20-1-36 and subsequent reminders thereto on 7/2/ 18/2/36. Re: permitting Harijans to enter the temple at Belur up limit to which non-Hindu visitors are allowed at present and to r you to kindly submit your report immediately, as a reply ~~xx~~ due t Muzrai Commissioner is unnecessarily pending from a very long time

Yours Sincerely,

To

The Sub Division Officer,
S a k l e s p u r .

Bk.

—GPB—

1935-36.

From

T.L. Kantam, Esquire.,
Assistant Commissioner,
Sakleshpur Sub Division

To

M. Chennaraj Urs, Esq., B.A., LL.B.,
Deputy Commissioner,
Hassan District.

Dated 1st March 1936.

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Sir,

With reference to your Memo No.C.1799/35-36 dated 16th January 1936, calling for a report on the question of permitting Harijans to enter the temple at Belur up to the limit to which the Non-Hindu visitors are allowed, I have the honor to state as follows:-

Any contemplated change in the social or religious practices of a people - particularly conservative people - like the Hindus-is bound to arouse opposition in the beginning but the opposition fades away after the change becomes an accomplished fact. As regards the matter under discussion, the present practice in the Belur Temple gives strong support to the innovation. The Harijans are admitted right up to the Navaranga on three days in the year, and Non-Hindus are allowed inside the Kappe Chennigaraya Temple, where there is no worship and permitted to walk round the Main Temple but not to go inside it. The devotees, even if we confine the term to the small section of the people of Belur who regularly go to the Temple, cannot put forward valid objections to allowing Harijans up to the limit to which Non-Hindus are allowed, in view of the practice referred to above.

3. The opinion of the Committee of Dharma Darsis and the Note of the Convenor are enclosed. Out of the Nine members, five attended the Meeting, three of whom have voted in -- favour of the change and two against.

4. The entire file ending with Belur Amildar's report No. C.115/35-36 dated 23rd February 1936 are herewith enclosed.

I have the honor to be,

S i r,

Your most obedient servant,

Assistant Commissioner,

Saklaspur Sub Division.
4/3/36

etter No. H.C. 44/35.6 dated
sioner in Mysore, to the Deput Commissioner, Hassan District.

With reference to your letter No.C. 1799/35 dated 11-3-36 re. permitting the Harijans to enter the temple at Belur up to the limit to which non-Hindus are allowed, I have the honour to state that in the Note submitted by Mr. R. Surappa, Convenor, it is stated that from ~~the~~ time -- immemorial, Harijans are being allowed inside the main temple during the jatra and no sanctification ceremoney (ಸಂಪ್ರೋಕ್ಷಣೆ) is performed on this account. But in your letter No. C. Muz.3005-34 dated 21-6-35, it is said that samprokshane will be performed after the lapse of three days, ~~at~~ at a cost of about Rs 150/- before the mamool pujas are conducted in the temple. I request you to kindly examine the point once again, and furnish definite reply in the matter. The enclosures are returned.

No.C. 2581/35. ಮೇಲಿಲ್ಲ Dated, Hassan the 7th April 1936.

Memo.

Copy ~~together~~ with the connected records is forwarded to the Sub Division Officer, Gadlespur for information and early report.

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For Deputy Commissioner,
Hassan District.

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Memo

Forwarded to the Amildar Belur Taluk for ~~information~~ very early report

TALUK OFFICE
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BELUR. HASSAN

Head Sheristadar
9/4/36
S.D.O Saklespur

Recd 15/5/36

Sheristadar report for orders Manager, Bank Belur now we are under Central Bank for 12% No 139-

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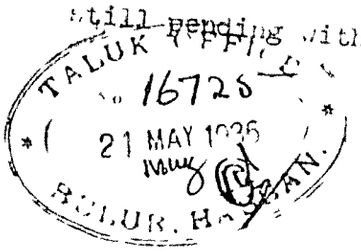

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Sd/- Abdul Razack,

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Copy is forwarded to the Sub Division Officer, Saklespur in continuation of this office memo No.C.2581/35 dated 6-4-36 for information and immediate submission of his report already called for therein.

For Deputy Commissioner,
Hassan District.

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1936 సంవత్సరంలో కాంగ్రెసు 12 మంది సభ్యులతో ఒక సబ్ కమిటీని ఏర్పాటు చేసింది.

ఆంధ్రులకు ద్రోహం

వారందరూ

1. S.P. అయ్యంగార్ లాయర్ పదవికి రాజీనామా
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3. ఎం.ఎస్. అనే
4. B.S. కృష్ణమూర్తి

వీరిలో మొదటి ఐదుగురు తమిళ బ్రాహ్మణులు. వీరు ఆంధ్రులకు ద్రోహం చేయడానికి ఒక పథకం వేశారు. ఆ పథకం ప్రకారం వీరు ఆంధ్ర ప్రాంతానికి వెళ్ళి ఆంధ్రులతో కలిసి ఉంటూ వారి మనస్సులను తెలుసుకొని వారి అభిప్రాయాలను ఎస్. ఎస్. అయ్యంగార్ అనే వ్యక్తికి తెలియజేయాలి. ఆ ప్రకారం వీరు ఆంధ్ర ప్రాంతానికి వచ్చారు.

I వీరు ఇచ్చిన నివేదిక

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ಸಹಾಯಕ ಕಮಿಷನರ್ ಸಾಹೇಬರು
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ಮಾನ್ಯರೇ,

ವಿಷಯ: ಚಿತ್ರದುರ್ಗ ತಾಲ್ಲೂಕು ಹಿರೇಗುಂಟನೂರು ಗ್ರಾಮದ ಸರ್ವೆ ನಂ. 35 ರಲ್ಲಿ 1.41 ಎಕರೆ ಜಮೀನಿಗೆ ಸಂಬಂಧಿಸಿದಂತೆ ಪಹಣಿ ತಿದ್ದುಪಡಿ ಕೋರಿ ಅರ್ಜಿ.

ಮೇಲ್ಕಂಡ ವಿಷಯಕ್ಕೆ ಸಂಬಂಧಿಸಿದಂತೆ ನಾನು ಹಿರೇಗುಂಟನೂರು ಗ್ರಾಮದ ನಿವಾಸಿಯಾಗಿದ್ದು, ಸರ್ವೆ ನಂ. 35 ರಲ್ಲಿ 1.41 ಎಕರೆ ಜಮೀನಿನ ಪಹಣಿಯಲ್ಲಿ ನನ್ನ ಹೆಸರು ಬಾಕಿಯಾಗಿರುವುದರಿಂದ ಪಹಣಿ ತಿದ್ದುಪಡಿ ಮಾಡಿಕೊಡಲು ಕೋರಿ ಈ ಅರ್ಜಿಯನ್ನು ಸಲ್ಲಿಸುತ್ತಿದ್ದೇನೆ.

ಈ ಜಮೀನಿನ ಮೂಲ ಹಕ್ಕುದಾರರಾದ ನನ್ನ ತಂದೆ ದಿವಂಗತ ಕರಿಯಪ್ಪ ಬಿನ್ ಹುಲಿಯಪ್ಪ ಅವರು 1978ನೇ ಇಸವಿಯಲ್ಲಿ ಮೃತಪಟ್ಟಿದ್ದು, ಅವರ ಮರಣಾನಂತರ ಜಮೀನಿನ ಉಸ್ತುವಾರಿಯನ್ನು ನಾನೇ ನೋಡಿಕೊಳ್ಳುತ್ತಿದ್ದೇನೆ. ಆದರೆ ಪಹಣಿಯಲ್ಲಿ ಇನ್ನೂ ತಂದೆಯವರ ಹೆಸರೇ ಮುಂದುವರಿದಿದೆ. ಆದ್ದರಿಂದ ನನ್ನ ಹೆಸರಿಗೆ ಪಹಣಿ ತಿದ್ದುಪಡಿ ಮಾಡಿಕೊಡಬೇಕಾಗಿ ವಿನಂತಿ.

ಈ ಕೆಳಕಂಡ ದಾಖಲೆಗಳನ್ನು ಲಗತ್ತಿಸಿದೆ:

1. ಪಹಣಿ ಪತ್ರಿಕೆ (ಆರ್.ಟಿ.ಸಿ.) ಪ್ರತಿ
2. ಆಧಾರ್ ಕಾರ್ಡ್ ಪ್ರತಿ
3. ಮರಣ ಪ್ರಮಾಣ ಪತ್ರ ಪ್ರತಿ
4. ಕಂದಾಯ ರಸೀದಿ ಪ್ರತಿ

ಆದ್ದರಿಂದ ಮೇಲ್ಕಂಡ ವಿಷಯವನ್ನು ಪರಿಶೀಲಿಸಿ, ಪಹಣಿಯಲ್ಲಿ ನನ್ನ ಹೆಸರು ದಾಖಲಿಸಲು ಅಗತ್ಯ ಕ್ರಮ ಕೈಗೊಳ್ಳಬೇಕಾಗಿ ಕೋರುತ್ತೇನೆ.

ವಂದನೆಗಳೊಂದಿಗೆ,

ತಮ್ಮ ವಿಶ್ವಾಸಿ,

ಕರಿಯಪ್ಪ ಬಿನ್ ಹುಲಿಯಪ್ಪ

ವಾಸ: ಹಿರೇಗುಂಟನೂರು, ಚಿತ್ರದುರ್ಗ ತಾಲ್ಲೂಕು

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If necessary the expenses connected with it is met out of the Rathotsava expenses incurred for Sheikh allotment is made

The present question is that of allowing Harijans up to the limit to which Non Hindus are allowed. When Non Hindus are allowed inside the temple (Prakara) (ಪ್ರಾಕಾರ) no Sanchitachi ceremonies are performed. There no other ceremonies except that is necessary before any Sanchitachi ceremonies Harijans are allowed up to the limit to which Non Hindus are allowed

Memo.

Submitted to the deputy commissioner, Kanara district, Karwar with reference to his memo No C. 2581-35 dt 7th April 1936

A detailed report received from the Amildar is herewith submitted. Any objection to allow Harijans upto the entrance of the main temple & the entrance of the subsidiary temples should be unfair & unreasonable as it is seen that they come to the temple with the same, & not make devotion as the other Hindus & non-Hindus. It is unthinkable as to why the Harijans alone should be made unpure with any objection & the present disability be removed when Mohamadans, Christians & Jews are allowed upto the entrance

All which humbly submitted.

Abdul Khadir

24/6/36